Please **REJECT** NEXT energy's application

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To: Jacyn Normine < Jacyn.Normine@columbiacountyor.gov>; ePermits - Planning < planning@columbiacountyor.gov> Dear Commissioners.

My name is Sara Todd. I'm a Buddhist and meditation practitioner that visits Great Vow Zen Monastery for spiritual practice and community. I'm <u>deeply troubled and extremely concerned</u> about NEXT energy's application to build a renewable diesel refinery at Port Westward across from the monastery.

I'm writing to ask that you protect the community and this sensitive ecological area from the dangers of the NEXT energy project and **REJECT** the application.

This project would have profound and detrimental negative impacts on the natural area and the ability of the monastery to provide a setting and container for spiritual practice and retreat.

Thank you for your consideration.

Blessings,

Sara

